

Lc. Miss Wonderful "BB"AM/AOS X Blc Waikiki Gold Grown by Nick Braemer

The INFLORESCENCE

"Orchids for Amateurs"

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Our October 19, 2018
Guest Speaker will be
Peter Lin
"Cattleya Species and
Their Culture"

Peter Lin will be presenting his newest talk: Cattleya Species and Their Culture. Cattleyas have been grown for many years and there are now thousands of hybrids. Before hybrids, species were first grown. Learn about the many different species and some of their culture requirements. This fast paced PowerPoint presentation will discuss most of the Cattleya species. Peter will also discuss some of the challenges in repotting these orchids.

Peter started growing orchids over 30 years ago, but then stopped due to school and starting a career. It wasn't until about 12 years ago that the orchid "bug" came back and he is now heavily involved once again. He is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society and the current president of Orchid Digest. He enjoys meeting with other orchid enthusiasts, and can often be found at various orchid shows and societies around the country. He also has hundreds of photos of his orchids that he maintains on Flickr. You can view them by typing this address into the internet: http://www.flickr.com/photos/minicatt/collections/

Due to limited growing space, Peter likes to specialize in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His other interests in orchids include Dendrobiums, Angraecoids, and Neofinetias. He maintains a collection of a thousand or more orchids at his home in Southern California in 3 small greenhouses, as well as in the house under fluorescent lights.







South Bay Orchid Society

October President's Message – Joe Woods Treasurer and October

On September 15th & 16th we held the annual fall show, which was a great success. On behalf of the board, I wish to thank everyone who participated, by bringing plants and/or food, or just showing up. Special thanks to those who helped setting things up on Friday and tearing down on Sunday. We lost two vendors this year, but gained three from last year, for a slight increase in revenues. Welcome to the new members, who signed up at the show. We'll look forward to seeing you at the next meeting, October 19, at 7:00 PM at the same location as the show. The speaker at the October meeting will be Peter Lin, an AOS judge of the American Orchid Society. He will be familiar to us, since he was the auctioneer at the April auction.

Some facts about orchids you may find interesting:

- 1. Orchids are the largest family of flowering plants.
 - They have also been around the longest as they are one of the oldest flowers in existence. Since varieties of orchids are found all over the world, it's accepted that orchids were in existence prior to the separation of the continents.
- 2. There are more than 25,000 documented orchid species throughout the world. This means the number of orchids on the planet is four times the number of birds, and four times the number of mammals! That's a LOT of orchids!!
- 3. Although generally thought of as a tropical plant, orchids grow on every continent from the Arctic Circle to the southernmost jungle (except Antarctica).

 They're valued and thought of as beautiful across continents and cultures, with varying meanings and customs surrounding their existence.
- **4.** The smallest orchid is the size of a dime. This amazing orchid is small enough to fit in a doll house!
- 5. The vanilla orchid (and its vanilla bean) is the only commercially grown Orchid crop (Vanilla planifolia).

Orchids yummy enough to eat and cook with!

- 6. Orchids have the tiniest seeds in the world.
 - This makes them a challenge to grow and cultivate. They take forever to actually sprout and turn into a plant. Growing orchids from seeds is only for the patient and very green-thumbed.
- 7. There can be up to 3 million seeds in a single orchid seedpod.
 You'll never see them though. They are the size of a speck of dust and are only visible under a microscope. Part of the reason for their small size is that they lack an endosperm and have nutrients within. They require contact with a particular fungus to germinate and grow.
- 8. Some orchid flowers bloom for mere hours, while others last up to half a year. Phaleanopsis orchids are versatile enough to last in a cut flower arrangement longer than most.
- 9. Orchid flowers always grow upside down when mature. The orchid can have enough blooms to be heavy enough for the orchid to hang down. Gravity always wins!
- 10. Orchid plants can live to be up to 100 years old.
- 11. Orchids have become one of the most popular houseplants of all time.

Adopted from Fairchild Tropical Botanical Gardens and http://mamiverso.com/orchids-facts-59621/.

2018 FALL SHOW RESULTS

BEST OF SHOW WINNER

Angraecum eburneum

Ted Johnson

SECTION WINNERS

I. Cattleya Alliance, Bifoliate

C. bowringiana coerulea x sibling

Bobby Ignacio

II. Cattleya Alliance, Labia Type

Lc. Miss Wonderful 'BB' AM/AOS x Blc. Waikiki Gold 'Lea' Nick Braemer

III. Phalaenopsis & Doritis

Phal. Sogo Yukidian 'V3'

Arthur Hazboun

IV. Vanda & Allied Genera

Angraecum eburneum

Ted Johnson

V. Paphiopedilum & Phragmipedium

Phrag. Les Varines 'Kelly Creek'

Don Goss

VI. Other Genera

Nageliella purpurea

Steve Moeschler

VII. Pleurothalid & Bulbophyllum

Bulb. Elizabeth Ann 'Buckleberry'

Don Goss

Vendor exhibit

Lico Orchid









October 2018 South Bay Orchid Society

THANK YOU

Congratulations to our "Best of Show" winner Ted Johnson and to the best of section winners. A special thanks to each member who brought in plants for judging to our show. The quantity of plants exhibited was fewer than previous years' and this can be attributed to the unusual hot summer we experienced in our area. The show was a success due to the great help from our volunteer members who devoted a couple hours of their time to assist with helping at various aspects of the show. Your dedication to pitch in to help with our show is sincerely appreciated. Our thanks to our faithful vendors who support our show and we hope you support them and thank them. We also want to express our appreciation to the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation staff for the shade cloth installation and its removal after the show. We welcome our newest members who signed up at the show and hope to see them at our next and every meeting.



Best of Show Angreacum eburneum Grown by Ted Johnson



Best of section winners

Photo by Arthur Hazboun



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Welcome New Members

We offer a warm welcome to our new members: Tina Baldecchi, Hillary Black, Dr. Sunila Fuster, Dorris Han, Carolyn Miller, Kathleen Ringsby, & Viria Walls.

Please be sure to meet our new members and make them feel welcome to SBOS.

To our new members: When you come to the next meeting, stop by the membership desk to pick up your name badge and a new member package. We will include ten free plant table raffle tickets as our 'thank you' for joining SBOS.

Final Warning - Time is Running Out!

All SBOS membership renewal payments must be turned in to Charlotte Morrison by October 19 for your information to be included in the next Membership Directory.







Orchid Calendar

Our future membership meetings are held at the South Coast Botanic Garden

- > October 19 (3rd Friday)
- > November 16 (3rd Friday)
- > December 21 Holiday Potluck
- Cultural sessions start 7PM
- ❖ General meetings start 8PM at South Coast Botanic Garden

The next board meeting will be October 23

Call 310-641-0730 for more information

South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation

Please support our host, the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation for any of these educational and fun filled events. For more information and verification of hours and events, visit their website http://www.southcoasbotanicgarden.org



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Lico Orchids Display

"The Inflorescence"
South Bay Orchid Society
c/o Marcy Bergen
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Our Next Meeting is October 19, 2018

October 6 & 7, 2018 Morongo Basin Orchid Festival info: http://www.Gublers.com

October 5 – 7, 2018 Andy's Orchids Fall Open House 734 Ocean View Ave., Encinitas 10 AM – 4 PM Info: http://www.andysorchids.com

October 19 – 21, 2018 The Huntington Library, Art Galleries and Botanical Gardens, San Marino Info: http://www.huntington.org/orchidshow 10 AM – 5 PM

October 27 – 28, 2018 Orchids in the Park, San Diego County Orchid Society Show & Sale , Balboa Park's Casa Del Prado Room 101 (Near Natural History Museum) Sat. sales 10AM – 6PM http://www.sdorchids.com

November 3 -4, 2018 Open Houses – Cal Orchid 1251 Orchid Dr. & Santa Barbara Orchid Estates 1250 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara Info: http://www.sborchid.com & http://calorchid.com & http://calorchid.com

November 17 & 18, 2018 Santa Barbara Orchid Society Show & Sale , Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History 2559 Puesta Del Sol Rd, Santa Barbara Sat. 10 AM – 5 PM, Sun. 10 AM – 3 PM Info http://www.orchidsb.org

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